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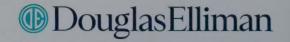
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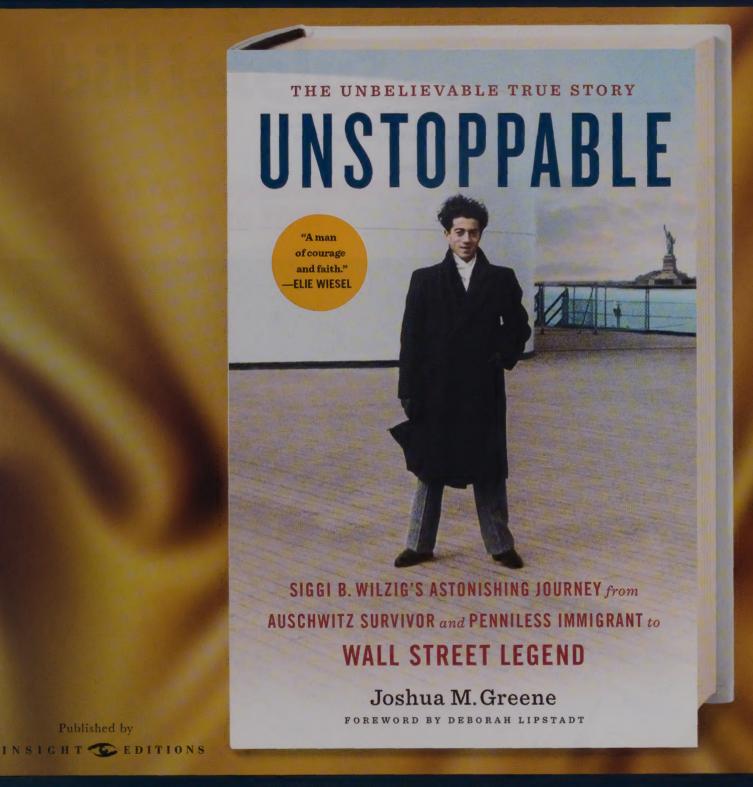
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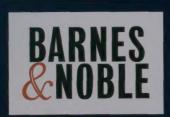
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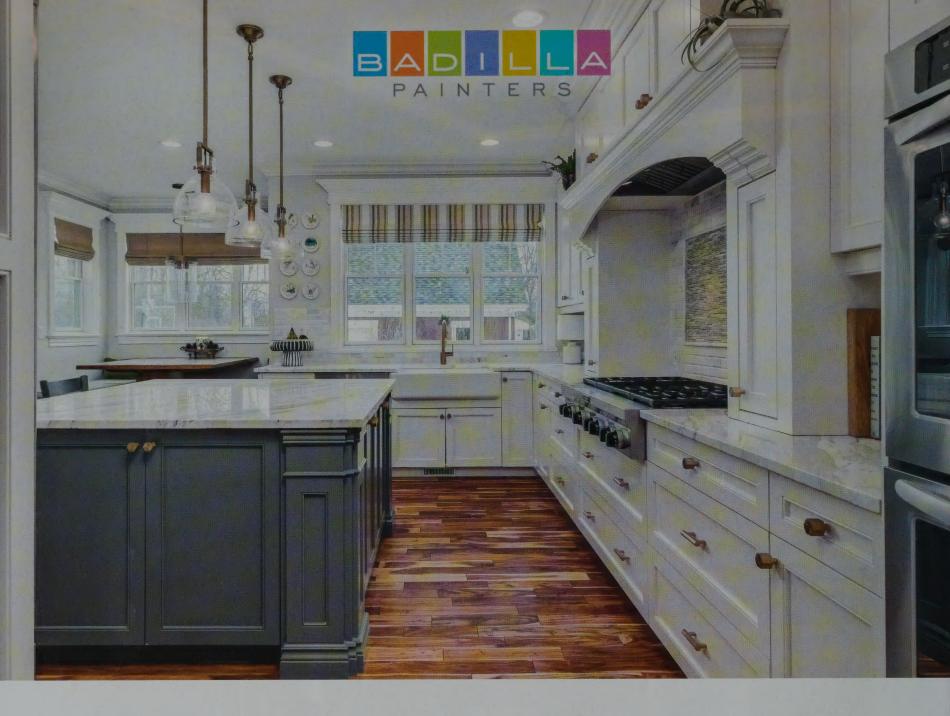
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"Spring is the best time of year to have the cosmetic procedures you have been wanting" states Award Winning, Celebrity Plastic Surgeon Stephen T. Greenberg, M.D., F.A.C.S. "With the summer season just around the corner, now is the time to take action so you can spend the summer enjoying all that The Hamptons has to offer."

Why is Spring a particularly good time to have a cosmetic procedure?

Before summertime in the Hamptons arrives is the optimal time to take advantage of surgical and non-surgical options, for both women and men to rejuvenate their face and body and achieve the look they desire. This is especially true for women who have lost weight or have had children and would like to turn back the hands of time and re-gain their figure. The Greenberg Modern Mommy Make-Over provides a high-tech solution for women interested in taking action to improve their look. More and more women are having children later in life and their bodies do not bounce back the way they did when they were younger, or after their first pregnancy. Although diet and exercise are essential, areas such as the lower abdomen where the skin has been stretched and the muscles weakened may never return to its' pre-pregnancy shape". A tummy tuck tightens the abdominal muscles and removes excess skin on both the lower and upper abdomen to provide a tighter more sculpted waist and stomach. The effects of weight fluctuations and pregnancy on the breasts many times cause the skin to lose elasticity. This can be improved with a breast lift and many times, a combination of both a lift with an implant provides the best and most natural looking result. Breast reductions are of tremendous benefit to many patients looking to relieve neck and back pain and discomfort from overly large breasts. Depending on the severity. insurance may cover a breast reduction procedure and possibly a tummy tuck. Breast augmentation is the number one cosmetic procedure in the United States, and breast augmentation combined with a tummy tuck is a very popular surgical combination. Male breast reduction has also become very popular-male breast over-development (gynecomastia) affects 40 to 60% of all men, and the cause is often unknown. Liposuction is very popular to smooth and contour the waist, love handles, hips, thighs, arms and even underneath the chin. We incorporate Cellulaze to reduce cellulite and provide a completely rejuvenated look. Surgical and nonsurgical vaginal rejuvenation helps to remove excess skin and improve pelvic floor function. In addition to these body contouring and enhancement procedures, surgical facial procedures are a quick solution that will refresh and restore your look quickly with amazingly little downtime.

What are the most important aspects of your first meeting and consultation with a prospective client?

Each patient is treated in my state-ofthe-art accredited ambulatory center. From our first meeting to the weeks

following surgery, I want each patient to be happy with their full experience. I use cutting edge imaging to help patients visualize their surgical results and mentor them on how a natural-looking and effective outcome can make a significant impact on reaching their goals. Each patient has unique goals and concerns. There's no one-size-fits-all approach. I provide a comprehensive consultation where all concerns and criteria are evaluated and then make recommendations based

upon the individual's needs. No longer are there lengthy recovery periods, the combination of advanced surgical techniques with cuttingedge technology has my patients back to daily routines quickly without evidence that they had anything done. Being restaurant ready in a matter of days means that nonsurgical facial treatment options such as injectables and/or laser procedures can

be added to the plan for a complete and polished look. The fleet of technology at our MedSpa offers treatments for a variety of face and body enhancements, such as advanced laser hair removal, skin tightening, cellulite reduction, nonsurgical fat reduction with CoolSculpting and toning with Emsculpt, as well as tattoo removal and

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What are the benefits of CoolSculpting and Emsculpt? How do these procedures work?

Many people across the country commit to a healthy diet and exercise regularly but may find that stubborn fat still clings to certain areas. CoolSculpting and Emsculpt are both non-invasive fat reduction

treatments designed to

eliminate stubborn

areas of diet and exercise resistant fat. The techniques differ in that Emsculpt uses electromagnetic energy to produce powerful contractions in the abdomen, buttocks, arms & legs that are equivalent to doing 20,000 sit-ups or 20,000 squats in just one

30 minute treatment. The amount of energy this requires, forces the body to burn fat while toning and sculpting the treated areas. CoolSculpting, uses a freezing method (cryolipolysis). CoolSculpting is a revolutionary nonsurgical body contouring treatment that freezes away unwanted fat and naturally eliminates traces of it from the body. Utilizing carefully controlled cooling technology, this advanced system is able to target and freeze fat cells beneath the skin without harming the skin itself. Once the fat cells have been crystallized, the body will naturally

respond by gradually shrinking them and compressing the treated area. No needles, anesthesia or downtime necessary, and up to 25% of fat is destroyed! A variety of areas across the body can be treated including the abdomen, thighs, love handles, buttocks, arms and even underneath the chin. Ideal patients are those who practice eating healthy and regularly exercising but are noticing certain areas are resistant to weight loss.

Tell us a bit about microneedling.

Microneedling is a specialized skin rejuvenating treatment that is designed to correct and reverse the signs of aging and imperfections within skin. Treatments encourage the restorative benefits of your own cells by promoting skin renewing and regeneration within the tissue. Microneedling is also referred to as collagen induction therapy because it activates natural collagen production deep within skin. Collagen is a naturally occurring substance within the body that supports skin elasticity and youthfulness. Through microneedling, and the natural healing process of your own cells and tissue, you can achieve radiantly younger and healthier skin.

What are some of the most common questions or concerns you encounter when speaking with patients, and how do you help them overcome them?

It is of the highest importance to me that each patient gets the very best results suited to their individual physique. My goal is always a natural outcome to enhance and restore a patient's youthful appearance, I count on my doctor-patient relationships as one of the keys to providing the best experience. Many of my patients wish to see an overall change in their silhouette, even if they are coming for facial rejuvenation. I have been combining facial surgery with body contouring for more than 27 years. The technology exists to customize each patient's treatment plan to provide them with the goals they desire from head to toe. I continue to yield the most amazing results with my 24 Hour Rapid Recovery Breast Augmentation and by combining liposuction with a tummy tuck. I also include fat transfer to the buttocks, lips, face and even hands for a restored and renewed result.

After 27 years in practice, I still receive great satisfaction from helping my patients reach their aesthetic goals. Once they are happy with how they look, their entire demeanor changes. It is amazing how important these improvements can be to a patient's state of mind.

For more information about Dr. Stephen T. Greenberg, visit GreenbergCosmeticSurgery.com

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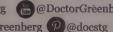
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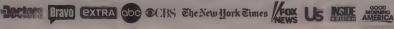
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1 Tbsp. ginger paste

3 cloves garlic, minced

2 plum tomatoes, chopped

1 tsp. chili powder

½ tsp. each garam masala, ground cumin, and ground coriander

1 tsp. kosher salt

14 cup Cabot Unsalted Butter

14 cup all-purpose flour

3 cups 2% milk

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T amptonite Brooke Shields spoke ▲ to *People* about major injuries she sustained after a January accident. "It Read more felt like it was all in slow motion. And SOUTH O'THE then I just started screaming," Shields **HIGHWAY** at told the outlet. The actress fell off a balance board at a Manhattan gym in DansPapers.com January and sustained such severe injuries that she was hospitalized for twoand-a-half-weeks. "Sounds came out that I've never heard before," she added. Shields had two surgeries to insert several metal rods and metal plate to repair her hip and femur. She is now on the mend. Get better soon!

M ontauk's Naomi Watts just finished filming her latest film, *Infinite Storm*. The dramathriller, based on the article "High Places: Footprints in the Snow Lead to an Emotional Rescue," is based on the true story of Pam Bales (Watts), a mountain guide and nurse who is stranded on Mount Washington during a major blizzard. A stranger, played by Billy Howle, comes to her aid. Malgorzata Szumowska is directing from Slovenia. Watts posted a



JULIANNE MOORE

NAOMI WATTS

Check it out at DansPapers.com.

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Freundlich have sold their

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photo to Instagram as she wrapped filming.

Story on page 30.

host Ryan Seacrest the week of April 5.

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A magansett's Gwyneth Paltrow gifted Kim Kardashian some goop goodies in the wake of Kardashian announcing her divorce from Kanye West. Among them were special editions of Paltrow's controversial and fabulous candle, renamed "This Smells Like Kim's Orgasm." Kardashian shared to her Instagram stories, "I've never been more excited honestly for the candle. Thank you, Gwyneth, I love you. Thanks Goop."



KELLY RIPA

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Visit their website at southamptonanimalshelter.com or call 631-728-PETS (7387) to schedule your visit. Be sure to watch the shelter cats in action with their live Cat Cam! Photos by Lauren DeFoto

- Twilight and Whitefoot These 6 month old sweet boys are looking for their furever homes. They love to run and play in a big playpen. They spend most of their time chewing on their toys and hanging out.
- Eustace is 10 year old Pit Bull Terrier Mix and the cutest and most endearing older gentleman. He would prefer a calm and quiet home where he can be the true couch potato he is. Eustace is a social dog; he plays well with females and could potentially be with mellow and polite males, as well.

 Viv is a 2 year old English Foxhound and Pit Bull Terrier Mixan. She is a fun-loving girl who enjoys running and playing in a
- fenced in yard. She can be weary of new people initially but after only a short time, she is in your lap giving you kisses. Viv would love to be adopted by an active person who will exercise
- Tiny, this sassy little 6 year old lady is ready for the next chapter of her life. She can be very charming and sweet and loves to burrow under blankets for her afternoon nap. She would prefer to be a princess that can hog all the human attention.
- Lola is a 6 year old beautiful little bunny found as a stray locally. She is a bit shy at first but very sweet once she warms up to you. She enjoys all sorts of fresh vegetables especially parsley.



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All adoptions are being conducted by appointment only and applications can be found online at arfhamptons.org under "view our pets" on each animals webpage. Phone number is 631-537-0400 Photos by Will Yennie, Dan Goodale and Courtesy of ARF









- Mazie is a lovable two-year-old Retriever mix who is a complete people person; young or old, there is no human she does not like. Mazie is house-trained and she has also excelled in her obedience training.
- This handsome feline has a lot of personality. Simon, up until recently, was known as the "boss of the kitten room, but he has since been promoted to ARF's administrative department where he is now the executive assistant to our
- Adoptions Director.
- Lakeland is a young, energic, playful pup who came to ARF from Georgia. When asked, ARF staff described Lakeland as "a great dog," "wonderful," and someone even said that he was our current "unicorn."K
- Story, a sweet, playful two-year-old pup who hails from Georgia. Story is a social butterfly who has lots of energy to burn. He is good with other dogs, and he is eager to make

Gimme Shelter Animal Rescue

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- Tory and Olivia are 14 week old sisters. They are super smart and playful and love everyone they meet
- Asher and Pepper are a dynamic brother and sister duo., I year old labs who are very affectionate and have great temperaments They need to be the only dogs in the home and no cats
- Zoe and Joanie are bonded sisters. They're IO week old lab pups who love everyone.



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Suffolk County Executive Bellone honors the emergency task force and announces the opening of new vaccination site at H. Lee Dennison Building

Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone announced the opening of a new Suffolk County vaccination site located at the H. Lee Dennison Building in Hauppauge, NY. The County Executive also honored members of the Emergency Task Force (ETF) for their efforts to help Long Islanders during the CO-VID-19 pandemic. The Emergency Task Force members were presented with challenge coins and an official citation from Suffolk County. Courtesy photos provided by Rob Rich/SocietyAllure.com



- **Vincent LeVien** Director of Emergency Task Force Covid I9, **Stuart Cameron** Suffolk County Chief of Police, Suffolk County Executive **Steve Bellone**, **John Jordan** Commissioner Suffolk County Fire Rescue and Emergency Services.
- ETF member Rob Rich, Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone
- Patrick Beckley-Deputy Commissioner at Suffolk County Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services,
 Dr.Gregory Pigott-Commissioner Suffolk County Dept.of Health Services, John Jordan-Commissioner
 of Suffolk County Fire Rescue and Emergency Services, Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone,
 Vincent LeVien-Director of Emergency Task Force Covid 19, Task Force members Dennis Fisin, Wilfredo
 Vega, Mike Tasin, Matthew McKeon-Slattery, Joseph Vega, Rob Rich









Rally Point East Grand Opening in Westhampton Beach

Rally Point East held their grand opening this past weekend at their new Westhampton Beach location. Car enthusiasts enjoyed viewing exquisite luxury cars while touring the gorgeous new club. Rally Point East is a private members club, centered around the automotive experience. They provide a destination to drive to, a stunning physical space, climate controlled car storage, and exceptional programming.

Photos courtesy of Rally Point East

- I. Rally Point East Co-founders, Chris and Kelly DiJorio.
- Rally Point East staff members Dillon Siflinger, Julie Vigorito, Kayla Giordano, Co-founder Kelly DiJorio, Cofounder Chris DiJorio. Missing from the group picture is Ron Balzan.

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Greenport Village Official Accused of Downloading Child Porn

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

72-year-old Village of Greenport zoning board member was arrested on March 24 after investigators allegedly found child porn on computers in his home, federal authorities said.

Magistrate Judge Arlene Lindsay set bail for David Corwin at \$300,000 following his initial appearance on child porn charges at Central Islip federal court. He was also ordered to remain under house arrest, required

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to wear a location monitoring devise, prohibited from using Instagram, and had to turn over all electronic devices, among other restrictions.

"I believe that the risk here has more to do with his use off computers than his risk of flight," Lindsay said.

A Suffolk County police detective assigned to the Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force determined that a computer with an IP address registered to Corwin had logged onto a website that hosts child porn, according to court documents.

When an FBI agent knocked on his door on March 18, he allowed the investigator to view the computers, which had on them multiple videos of adults engaging in sex acts with children, authorities alleged in the court documents.

Megan Farrell, the Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York prosecuting the case, said that when investigators executed a search warrant at the suspect's Main Street home, in addition to computers containing "large amounts" of pornography, they also found 15 marijuana plants growing in the basement.

Defense attorney Randi Chavis said Corwin's brother, who lives in Alaska and is co-owner of Corwin's house, which they inherited from their parents, agreed to put the house up as collateral to secure bail.

The arrest comes a month after a Town of Southold worker and Boy Scout leader was charged with possession of child porn.

Corwin faces up to 20 years in federal prison, if convicted. Greenport village officials did not respond to a request for comment.



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Hamptons School Teachers Bullied Billionaire's Son, \$10M Lawsuit Claims

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

ast Hampton private school teachers gave E ast Hampton private statements while traveling abroad, bullied one student who's a billionaire's son, and forced the student to switch schools, the boy's family claims in a lawsuit against the school.

Stefan Soloviev, one of America's top 100 landowners, and his son, Hayden, filed suit on March 23 in Suffolk County court seeking \$10 million in damages from the nonprofit Ross School for negligence, breach of duty and emotional distress, among other claims.

"What happens on the glacier, stays on the glacier," one of the teachers, Sinead Quinlan, allegedly said while leading the children in a toast with the whiskey after touring Patagonia, the sparsely populated tip of South America in

"Someone tells your child, 'what happens at school stays at school,' that's not a trusting environment and under no circumstances should these teacher-chaperones or the school permit this type of conduct," said Glenn Spiegel of Becker & Poliakoff, who represents the plaintiffs. "It shouldn't have happened and should never happen again."

Hayden, who was in the 11th grade at the time, alleged that the teachers later berated him until he turned over access to his school-sanctioned social media account that was used to document the class trip. The teenager felt so uncomfortable with the teachers' conduct that he returned home early and reported the incident to the administration, which refused to disclose the outcome of its investigation, the lawsuit alleged. The student felt so ostracized that he instead rolled in public school, where he is expected to graduate this spring.

Head of School William J. O'Hearn, III and Dan Weiner, an attorney with the Manhattanbased law firm of Hughes Hubbard & Reed who is defending the school, released a statement in

"While the school takes seriously any assertion of misconduct - whether it be by students, teachers or administrators - it is confident that the Solovievs' claims of damages in this case are without merit," the statement read. "Far from being 'forced to unenroll' at the school, Hayden Soloviev and his father freely elected to have him attend East Hampton High School for his senior year."

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Feds Pitch Wind Farm Off The Hamptons



MORE WIND FARM PROPOSALS ARE SPROUTING UP OFF THE SOUTH FORK

BY SELIA MERCADO

An offshore wind farm would be built off the coast of the Hamptons under a White House plan to dramatically increase wind energy production in the coming decade, officials announced Monday.

The U.S. Department of Interior's Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's plan would create five new offshore wind development zones in the New York Bight — the seafloor between Long Island and New Jersey — including a zone dubbed Fairways North that lies in the Atlantic Ocean south of the Shinnecock Inlet.

"President Biden believes we have an enormous opportunity in front of us to not only address the threats of climate change, but use it as a chance to create millions of good-paying, union jobs that will fuel America's economic recovery, rebuild the middle class, and make sure we bounce back from the crises we face," said National Climate Advisor Gina

McCarthy.

The zones are part of a plan to deploy 30 gigawatts of offshore wind in the United States by 2030 to generate enough energy to power more than 10 million American homes for a year, as well as avoid 78 million metric tons of CO2 emissions.

Fishing industry groups were skeptical of the plan and its inclusion of \$1 million to study the effects of offshore wind farms on fisheries.

"Where's our roadmap to not completely stomping out one of our main sources of food production and our main source of jobs in coastal communities?" Annie Hawkins, executive director of the Responsible Offshore Development Alliance, told Reuters.

The proposal comes after the New York State regulators recently approved a plan to run through Wainscott the cable from an offshore wind farm off the coast of Montauk. Opponents plan to challenge the construction in court. That project is pending federal approval.

Southampton Village Airs Police Chief Contract Negotiations

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

The Village of Southampton is negotiating its contract with its village police chief, who is one of the highest paid local law enforcement commanders in the region.

Southampton Mayor Jesse Warren said that Southampton Village Police Chief Thomas Cummings makes \$441,945 annually, including \$238,930 in base pay, perks and benefits for leading a department of 30 officers.

"We want to treat all of our employees well and recognize their service and dedication to the village while at the same time balancing our fiscal responsibility to our residents and taxpayers," Warren told the village board at its March 11 meeting while making the unusual move of airing the details of the ongoing negotiations.

Vincent Toomey, an attorney who was tapped to consult the board on the negotiations, said that while Cummings may be among the top earners, there are some other police chiefs who make more in even smaller municipalities.

Part of the reason for the chief's large paycheck is he's been with the department for more than 30 years, accruing longevity pay along the way. Once he retires, he'll be owed more than \$503,000 for unused time off and more than \$737,000 in post-retirement benefits.

"Perhaps the most egregious thing is that the previous administration inserted an evergreen or perpetuity clause into his most recent contract, basically making him chief for as long as he wants to be," Deputy Mayor Gina Arresta told the board.

Cummings could not be reached for comment.



Vaccine Eligibility Age Lowered Again

BY BRIANA BONFIGLIO

A ll New Yorkers 30 and older will be eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine starting March 30, and all residents 16 and older will be eligible on April 6, Gov. Andrew Cuomo said.

The governor announced that vaccine eligibility will be universal for all, aside from those under 16, for whom the vaccines are still being tested, via a news release. The announcement comes after President Joe Biden requested that all states open eligibility for all by May 1.

"Today we take a monumental step forward in the fight to beat COVID ... well ahead of the May 1 deadline set by the White House," Cuomo said in a statement. "As we continue to expand eligibility, New York will double down on making the vaccine accessible for every community to ensure equity, particularly for communities of color who are too often left behind."

Though the supply of vaccines still does not meet the public's demand for them, New York and local governments, including Nassau and Suffolk counties, in partnership with health organizations, have set up the capacity to vaccinate thousands of people per day at mass vaccination sites and smaller, pop-up vaccine sites within communities.

DAN'S COLUMN

Uh Oh

Ladies Village Improvement Hires a Man to be Executive Director

BY DAN RATTINER

The Ladies Village Improvement Society of East Hampton, an all-

women's volunteer organization founded in 1895 dedicated to

the beautification of downtown East Hampton, last month elected a new executive director, and it ruffled a few

skirts and feathers. The new director is Russell Kratoville. That's not "Russell" as in "Russellette" where the parents were hoping for a boy. That's Russell as in Russell. A man.

As a result, many LVIS ladies handed in their resignations. And many of them have expressed themselves to the media. In an age when women are trying to break through the glass ceiling, here's a board of directors, all women, reaching up above the ceiling to bring a man down to fill the top post.

"What does this say about the LVIS?" one woman said.

"They couldn't find a woman? Among all the applicants, this is what they do?"

"What a great message this gives to our daughters."

"Is this some kind of reverse prejudice thing where our board thinks they are 'with it' in the fight for equality so it's okay to have a man lead the way?"

"Well, what do you expect from a group that recently was arguing back and forth about whether women should be listed separately from their husbands in the directory instead of as 'Mr.' and 'Mrs.'"?

(This is an apparent reference to the printed *Blue Book of the Hamptons*, which every summer lists alphabetically the names and addresses in both the city and the Hamptons of the members of high society who are out here. And if their summer cottage has a name, they name that.)

The New York Post quoted an anonymous recently resigned member.

"There's no way I'm going to sit in a meeting (when) the face of LVIS has a penis."

The board of directors has held fast to their decision, digging in their heels. Kratoville, they say, was simply the best man (er, person) for this job. They had many applicants. And it's the only paid full-time year-round job. So they kept a blind eye about that person's gender.

Well, oh boy.

Kratoville's resume: For many years he was the village manager, clerk and treasurer of the Village of Southampton. But last year he was asked to resign by the new young mayor, who wanted to go out with the old and in with the new. Kratoville obliged.

"A nice man. A man with a pleasant disposition," one woman said.

Nobody denies that.

The first act of beautification ordered in 1895 by the LVIS was sweeping the dust off and then wetting down the dirt road that was Main Street back then. They held the first LVIS fair in 1896, published the first annual LVIS Cookbook the same year and soon they were putting flower boxes and benches on Main Street, creating the lovely Duck Pond on David's Lane, and draining what had been a swamp into what is now Town Pond, complete with the beautiful white swans. In 1925, they prevented a gas station from opening on the Sheep Fold, the grass triangle opposite the post office, another year they prevented another gas station from getting built on the Main Street shopping area, and more recently they saved up and bought the Gardiner Brown House mansion, built in the 18th century but in 1987 slated to be bulldozed for more parking downtown.

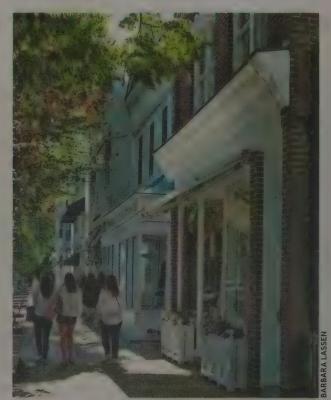
There's no mention I could find about their activities in the temperance movement leading to the banning of alcohol in 1919, or the suffrage fight leading to women's right to vote that same year, but when I got

here in the 1950s, their presence was described to me as, besides beautification, "the ladies who require good manners and behavior on Main Street, and tell tourists in Bermuda shorts not to eat ice cream on the street."

My initial contact with them came at the annual LVIS Fair at the Mulford Farm around 1968. It was a Sunday afternoon. Down the street, all the stores in town were closed for church for the day. It was here the fair was doing a thriving business: pony rides, ring toss, clowns and sack races.

At the entrance, two LVIS blue-haired ladies sat at a folding table collecting admission fees. Along the sidewalk behind them was the snow fence that kept people from sneaking in without paying, and as I waited in line to pay the fee, I saw that 50 feet further down, some boys were sneaking in at a break they had made in the fence. When I pointed this out to them, one of them said, "Just mind your own business, we know what we're doing, thank you very much."

A few years later, I wrote about an encounter the LVIS had with a man who owned a souvenir shop on Main Street. Inside, but visible from the window of his store, was a life-size



THE LVIS IS DEDICATED TO BEAUTIFYING EAST HAMPTON

poster of a 300-pound, full-frontal naked woman. It was to be taped to your refrigerator door, the owner told me when I asked. You'd come down for a midnight snack, see this lady, and with a start, run back upstairs.

The LVIS, keeping vigilant on what could be seen through store windows – no big signs, not even a SALE sign, no neon – had stopped in to visit the owner and tell him it would not go well with him if he left it up.

Replying sharply, the owner, a liberal from Greenwich Village, said he had freedom of speech, this poster was art and he would not take it down. So up it stayed. The matter went to court. A trial was scheduled. But then the owner died of a heart attack. Served him right, people said.

Today, the LVIS sells secondhand clothing, books and furniture out of the mansion they saved on Main Street. The shop reportedly takes in between \$60,000 and \$100,000 a month. They have the fair, give away \$150,000 in college scholarships, beautify downtown particularly wonderfully at holidays and tend to the giant and ancient elm trees that line Main Street.

And, as for now anyway, they've got a man running the show.





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The Cuomo Conundrum

Governor's Impeachment Probe Takes Hamptons Star Turn



NEW YORK GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

Two weeks into the coronavirus lockdown in March 2020, as New Yorkers underwent a collective crash course on surviving a 100-year global pandemic, a delivery arrived at CNN anchor Chris Cuomo's Southampton home. A top aide in the New York State Department of Health, reports say, brought a then-hard-to-secure CO-VID-19 test, courtesy of the broadcast journalist's older brother, Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

The Cuomo Prime Time host announced on his show March 31, 2020 that he tested positive, and continued broadcasting from his basement to much fanfare, including appearances on the governor's then-daily, Emmywinning news briefings. But a year

later, that virus test — and the laws possibly broken to make it happen — has joined the snowballing number of accusations of misconduct the New York State Assembly's judiciary committee is investigating amid another maelstrom that hasn't enveloped The Empire State in a century: impeachment hearings questioning the governor's deeds.

"While the Assembly investigation will look into those allegations, the committee's primary focus remains an investigation into issues related to sexual harassment, the nursing homes and bridge safety," Assemblyman Charles Lavine (D-Glen Cove), who chairs the committee overseeing the gubernatorial impeachment proceedings, says of the tests.

The bridge inquiry eyes whether the

administration glossed over potential structural concerns with the construction of the nearly \$4 billion Mario M. Cuomo Bridge, which replaced the Tappan Zee Bridge and is named for the governor's father. The sexual harassment allegations - from eight women as of press time, including current and former aides to Cuomo - are also being investigated by New York State Attorney General Latisha James' office. And the claims that the governor's team deliberately undercounted the state's nursing home death toll are additionally targets of federal probes. The governor has bucked calls to re-

If true, the allegation that the governor fast-tracked virus tests for friends, family, and others raises the question of whether he or his staff violated state laws against public officials granting such favoritism. State law prohibits government officials from using "his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself or herself or others, including but not limited to, the misappropriation to himself, herself or to others of the property, services or other resources of the state for private business or other compensated non-governmental purposes."

The Albany Times-Union first reported the allegations that the governor prioritized COVID-19 tests for VIPs on March 24. The Washington Post further revealed on March 29 that extra resources were dedicated to the governor's little brother. Both newspapers cited anonymous sources and reported that state Troopers

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rushed tests to The Wadsworth Center, the state health department's lab in Albany, in some of the allegedly prioritized cases.

"Among Cuomo relatives, Chris Cuomo's family received attention that appeared to go beyond that of others, receiving multiple visits at their Hamptons home from Department of Health physician Eleanor Adams, according to two people familiar with the visits," the *Post* reported.

Dr. Adams, an epidemiologist, was promoted in August to special advisor to State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker a month after the state released a report on nursing home data in which she was the lead author. She was accused in March of helping edit out of that report the true death toll statistics that nearly 10,000 nursing home patients died of COVID-19, as opposed to the 6,432 the administration had acknowledged at the time.

"The recent reports alleging there was preferential treatment given for COVID-19 testing are troubling," a spokesman for the state attorney general's office said in a statement. "While we do not have jurisdiction to investigate this matter, it's imperative that [Joint Commission on Public Ethics (JCOPE)] look into it immediately."

State Senate Minority Leader Robert Ortt (R-Erie County) agreed, and filed a formal complaint with JSCOPE the day after the news broke.

"It does not take a stretch of the imagination to see a clear connection between Gov. Cuomo using his official position as the head of state government and the unwarranted privileges provided to his own family members and close associates," Ortt wrote. "Obviously, while these actions would be egregious during normal times, they are particularly unconscionable because they occurred early on during the pandemic, at a time when testing was in short supply and high demand."

But the Cuomo appointees who run JSCOPE are unlikely to investigate the governor, critics have said. The governor's office denied the testing allegations.

"We should avoid insincere efforts to rewrite the past," Cuomo spokesman Richard Azzopardi said in a statement. "In the early days of this pandemic, when there was a heavy emphasis on contact tracing, we were absolutely going above and beyond to get people testing."

Those efforts included "in some instances going to people's homes — and door to door in places like New Rochelle — to take samples from those believed to have been exposed to COVID in order to identify cases and prevent additional ones," the statement



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added. Among those assisted, "were members of the general public, including legislators, reporters, state workers and their families who feared they had contracted the virus and had the capability to further spread it."

CNN also downplayed the controversy.

"We generally do not get involved in the medical decisions of our employees," the network said in a statement. "However, it is not surprising that in the earliest days of a once-in-acentury global pandemic, when Chris [Cuomo] was showing symptoms and was concerned about possible spread, he turned to anyone he could for advice and assistance, as any human being would." Chris Cuomo had conducted a series interviews — which some critics called gentle or even comical — on CNN with his older brother during the pandemic. But after the nursing home and sexual misconduct scandals broke, the network said its conflict-of-interest policy meant that Chris Cuomo could not report on the governor. The anchor has remained silent on the testing allegations.

The CNN host's test came at a pivotal time in the first wave of the coronavirus pandemic. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control was processing all COVID-19 tests in Atlanta until February 29, 2020, when the state got approval to perform tests at the Wadsworth lab. Nine days later, after

the U.S. Food & Drug Administration approved private hospitals to perform tests. The first drive-through test site on Long Island opened at Jones Beach State Park on St. Patrick's Day — the same day restaurants were ordered to serve takeout only for three months amid statewide stay-at-home orders.

It wasn't until months later that tests became more widely available to the general public. Chris Cuomo acknowledged as much on CNN while discussing his case in a segment that aired two days after he was diagnosed.

"We're so far behind on testing," he told Anderson Cooper. "We're telling ourselves these lies on testing. We're nowhere near where we need to be and we're not going to be in this wave."

The governor has also acknowledged that his family sought his help with testing.

"I knew we were in trouble when four of my family members called asking how they could get tested," the governor wrote in his book, *American Crisis: Leadership Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic*, which Crown Publishing Group has halted reprints and promotions for following Cuomo's cascading scandals.

And that trouble appears to have landed right on the doorsteps of the governor's mansion and Chris Cuomo's Southampton home.

-With Reuters

REALESTATE

'LeBron James of Short Selling,' Neighbor Both Unload East Hampton Homes for \$60M

BY TAYLOR K. VECSEY

The first quarter of 2021 has not even closed yet and already we are seeing what could be some of the highest-priced Hamptons home sales of the year—and two of them are neighboring properties.

Topping the list so far are two \$60 million oceanfront trades on properties off of East Hampton's famed Further Lane, while a waterfront estate in Wainscott, last asking \$56 million, is in contract.

Billionaire investor James Chanos sold his threeacre property at 70 Further Lane for \$59.5 million on February 5, according to the deed transfers this month, in what appears to be an off-market transaction. More recently, an oceanfront house next door at 30 Spaeth Lane, originally listed for \$72 million, sold for \$60 million, Hamptons Market Data reported. The last asking price was \$67 million.

Listed with Peter Turino and Christopher Burnside of Brown Harris Stevens, the deal for the 7.7-acre property with a six-bedroom, five-bathroom house—that some may say is a tear-down—closed on March 15. We hear Turino and Burnside are involved in the sale of Chanos' property, as well.

Brown Harris Stevens declined to comment.

Chanos is the founder of Kynikos Associates, a firm specializing in short selling, perhaps best known for predicting the collapse of Enron. He's been dubbed the "Darth Vader of Wall Street," the "Catastrophe Capitalist" and the "LeBron James of short selling."

A feud with another hedge-fund neighbor, over actual hedges, made tristate area headlines in 2007. The hedges lined a path to the beach that also separated Chanos's property from that of Marc Spilker, a Goldman Sachs managing

director, *The New York Post* reported at the time. It led to him sending a somewhat famous email to Spilker and his associates at Goldman Sachs over Spilker's alleged sense of entitlement.

"I hope this is not a harbinger of how other Goldman senior executives may act when the markets become 'just not lucrative enough for us!" he wrote.

ABC reported in 2009 that Chanos paid \$2.6 million for his home in 1991—not a bad return considering the \$59.5 million selling price. The buyer remains unknown as he or she was shielded under an LLC called 70 Further Lane Holdings.

The midcentury modern home at 30 Spaeth Lane had belonged to the estate of June Noble Smith Larkin Gibson, the Life Savers candy heiress, according to an article in *The Wall Street Journal* when the home went on the market in August of 2020



A ROW OF FURTHER LANE OCEANFRONT PROPERTIES IN EAST HAMPTON, INCLUDING THE HOUSE JAMES CHANOS SOLD IN FEBRUARY, SECOND FROM RIGHT, FOR NEARLY \$60 MILLION. THE HOUSE FURTHEST TO THE RIGHT, AT 30 SPAETH LANE, JUST CLOSED ON MARCH IS FOR A REPORTED \$60 MILLION.

Gibson, whose father, Edward J. Noble, founded not only the candy company but the television network ABC, died in June at the age of 98. She owned the midcentury modern home since the late 1960s.

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According to the WSJ, the home was built around 1955—and may be considered a teardown—for the late Otto Lucien Spaeth and his wife Eloise Spaeth,

prominent art collectors where the small road, off of Further Lane got its name. Architects George Nelson and Gordon Chadwick, who was said to be a protégé of Frank Lloyd Wright, designed the shingle-style house with

"an unusual undulating shingle wall on the rear side," according to the Brown Harris Stevens listing at the time.

It is worth noting that 290 Further Lane, further east toward Amagansett, sold at the end of December 2020 for \$57 million, in what turned out to be the third priciest sale of 2020.

Another high-end property, Burnt Point, most recently listed for \$56 million with Bespoke Real Estate, is also in contract, WSJ reported. Billionaire former pharmaceuticals entrepreneur Stewart Rahr's waterfront estate on a private

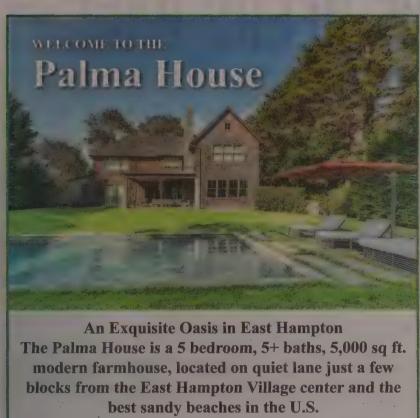
peninsula at 38 Mathews Lane was first listed for \$95 million in 2015, with several price reductions over the past six years.

The 25,000-square-foot Gambrel-stylemansion, custom designed by Francis Fleetwood, sits on 25 secluded acres on Georgica Pond, and boasts sweeping water views on three sides of the pond, as well as the Atlantic Ocean in the distance. Built in 2000, the home, with interior architectural details by Brian O'Keefe and the interior design work of Marjorie Shushan, has been featured in *Architectural Digest*. There are eight bedrooms, 10 full and four half bathrooms, and a separate guest wing, connected to the main house by an interior breezeway of Cotswold stone.

There are also several garage structures, such as a heated four-car garage on the lower level of the main home, and two garages house mechanical systems connected to the main home through underground tunnels.

The expansive grounds include a private dock, waterside pool with spa, gazebo, a sunken tennis court with a viewing pavilion and a professional greenhouse complete with a potting room.

Rahr has owned Burnt Point since 2005, when he purchased it for approximately \$40 million.

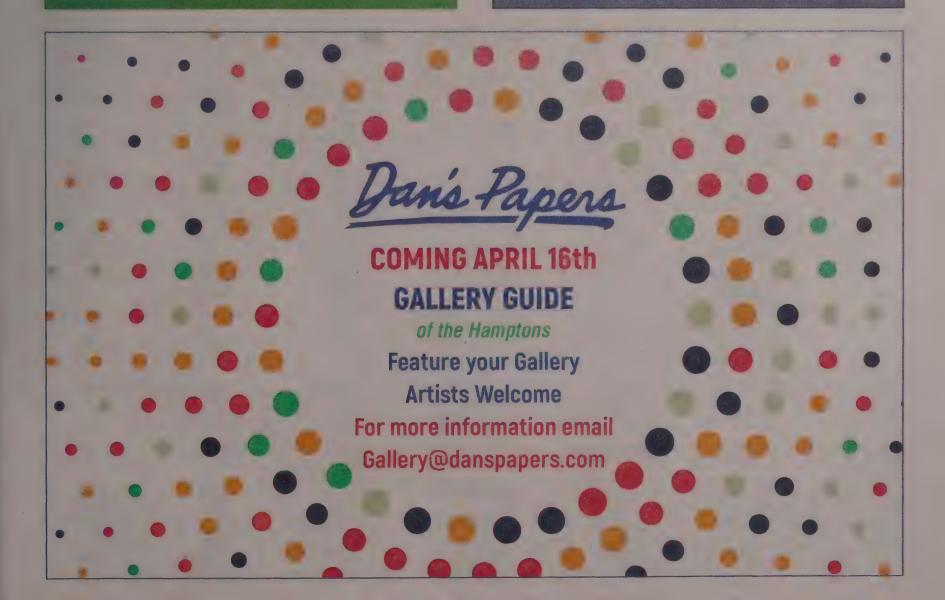


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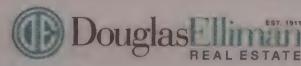
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REAL ESTATE

Julianne Moore

Bids Adieu to Montauk Cottage





BY TAYLOR K. VECSEY

Julianne Moore and her director husband, Bart Freundlich, have finally sold her cottage on Fort Pond in Montauk for \$2.85 million, six years after first listing it for \$3.5 million.

The deal for the three-bedroom, one-bath home on Second House

Road closed on February 5, the deed transfers this week revealed. Bartholomew Freundlich was listed as the seller, while the new owner is hidden behind a limited liability company, 42 2nd House Road 8-18.

Moore and Freundlich bought the cottage for just over \$1 million in

While the couple first listed their

waterfront property in 2015, it came off the market a year later without explanation. It was most recently listed with Saunders & Associates in September, amid the COVID-19 real estate boom in the Hamptons, for \$2.85 million. It went into contract about a month later.

The pair finally moved from their modest 1,000-square-foot cottage close to downtown Montauk for a more secure, gated mansion after the Oscar winner found a drunken stranger passed out on her couch, *Page Six* reported last year.

The idyllic cottage, though small and built in 1940, has a lot to offer. It was renovated in recent years and has maintained its seaside charm with barn wood antique floors, custom shiplap walls and exposed wood beams. The house also boasts a woodburning fireplace, an eat-in kitchen and a screened-in porch overlooking the water.

Located on 0.69 of an acre, the property also includes a custom-built pool house, saltwater gunite pool and

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direct access to the pond. A bonus is a nature preserve to the west, offering lots of privacy.

It will be interesting to see if the new owners decide to embrace the seaside cottage life or opt for a more Hamptons-style abode.

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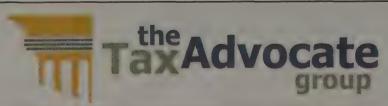
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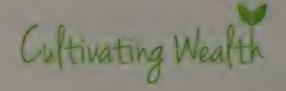
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Sag Harbor Cinema Returns

Oscar Contenders to Screen for Soft Opening

BY DAVID TAYLOR

From the 2016 fire that burned down its iconic façade to the long funding and rebuilding process to the pandemic shutdown, Sag Harbor Cinema has been unable to provide the East End with its uniquely Sag Harbor filmgoing experience for far too long. The wait finally ends on April 9.

This month, Sag Harbor Cinema is doing a long-awaited soft opening with an enticing slate of films scheduled for its first week and more screenings in the works for the weeks leading up to the official grand opening on Memorial Day weekend.

"We're starting to show films and allowing people in, which is very thrilling," says founding artistic director Giulia D'Agnolo Vallan. "But we want to build up to Memorial Day weekend when we'll have a program that shows everything the cinema can do. We're thinking of it like a crescendo!"

Visitors to the newly redesigned cinema are in for a treat, as the facility is back better than ever, boasting three state-of-the-art screens with cutting-edge digital projection, one of the best sound-reproduction systems in New York, a new café, lounge and other community use spaces. One of the most vital additions is the industry-leading HVAC and air-sanitizing systems that, when paired with the strictest possible COVID-compliance standards including mask use and pre-reserved socially distanced seating, should provide audiences with the peace of mind to enjoy the moviegoing experience without fear of sickness.

In addition to socially distanced showings, the cinema also offers pod screenings, which allow an entire screening room to be rented for the exclusive use of a private party up to 10 people. For \$150 per pod screening, the service grants access to any film in the current program in a private space that's sterilized after each use.

"It's been a long and challenging road to get to this moment," states SHC capital campaign chair April Gornik. "But at long last, we are thrilled to be able to open our doors to Sag Harbor and the East End, to welcome you back



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to your brand-new cinema—masked and distanced, of course."

Sag Harbor Cinema's soft opening week schedule comprises screenings of three stunning feature films and three programs of Oscar shorts.

Launching on Friday, April 9 is Azazel Jacobs' French Exit based on Patrick deWitt's subversive novel about a recently-widowed Manhattan socialite who moves to Paris with her son and cat, which may be the reincarnation of her late husband. The film, a national release, stars Michelle Pfeiffer and Lucas Hedges.

"The mood of the film is a comedy it's very smart, very stylish, a little dark," D'Agnolo Vallan says. "I love the movie, and it seemed like a nice profile for the opening."

French Exit plays daily at 4:30 and 7 p.m. The director will appear via Zoom for a post-screening Q&A following the 7 p.m. show on April 10.

Also launching on opening day is Oscar frontrunner *Nomadland* by Chinese filmmaker Chloé Zhao. The film follows Fern (Frances McDormand) as she sets off to explore a life outside of conventional society following the economic collapse of a

company town in rural Nevada.

"I think it speaks to a more universal way of thinking about our lives and our humanity and what it means to be inside a society or outside," D'Agnolo Vallan shares. "It ties into a great tradition of all-American cinema, which is the western, and it's re-told from a completely original point of view and by a woman who happens to be from China.... It's also visually striking, so I am very excited that we can finally show it in all its beauty and stylistic sophistication."

The three full-length Oscar Shorts programs cover all nominated animated, live action and documentary short films, the latter being a "very underestimated genre," according to D'Agnolo Vallan.

"These programs are usually very much enjoyed by the audience because they pick their own favorites, and they try to pick which one is going to win," she notes.

Get ready to test your prediction skills when the Oscar winners are announced at the Academy Awards on April 25.

Finally, at 1 p.m. on April 3 and April 4, Sag Harbor Cinema presents mati-

nee screenings of Irish animator Tomm Moore's 2020 hand-drawn, Academy Award-nominated Wolfwalkers, the third entry in his Irish folklore trilogy, following The Secret of Kells (2004) and Song of the Sea (2014). The film follows an apprentice wolf trapper in the town of Kilkenny, who forms a strange bond with the not-so-inhuman creatures she is dedicated to exterminating.

"The colors of Wolfwalkers are amazing! The look is very distinctive; it's different from classic American animation. The design is so beautiful that is almost goes into abstract filmmaking," D'Agnolo Vallan says, adding that while the film is technically available for streaming, "It really needs to be re-watched or discovered on a big screen"

After a year of watching movies exclusively on televisions and computer screens, that sentiment likely rings true for all of us, for just about every film we plan to see this year.

Visit sagharborcinema.org for tickets and additional information about showtimes, pod screenings and more.

Red Jacket Books Debuts in WHB

BY DRASHTI MEHTA

F ormer band member and IT specialist turned business owner Ben Vengroff recently celebrated the grand opening of his bookstore Red Jacket Books in Westhampton Beach.

The business initially began online in July 2020, and after positive reception, Vengroff started searching for locations to open a store. Between the pandemic, a decade working in the family business and much of his family moving to Florida, Vengroff decided it was time to pursue his dream.

"I had to make a decision, [if] I wanted to move away, or start something else," he says. "It was just really scary with everything going on. You start to see all these terrible things in the world and how short life is and it's too short to not do what you love and be as happy as possible."

While the bookstore may have been a long-time coming, the name comes from a frequently worn red jacket purchased in California. After a tree fell on his house during a summer storm

in 2019, destroying his belongings, he came to see the jacket as lucky.

"I was hanging out with a friend on a Sunday ... a day I usually would've been home and who knows what would've happened," he recalls. "I think it's lucky and people sort of recognized it - even if they were calling it ugly - but that's sort of what you want in a logo, is something that people remember."

Red Jacket Books is currently home to more than 3,000 titles and various genres from classics and historical fiction to nonfiction and a section designated for kids. Vengroff hopes to keep expanding in line with customers' preferences and also stocks books by local authors.

"Coming from a local band, seeing your stuff right next to the big guys, it's pretty cool when you go into a store and see that, so I wanted to do that for other people," he says.

Red Jacket Booksis open 7 days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and is located at 77D Main St., Westhampton Beach. For more information visit redjacketbooks.com

A teacher's supernatural level of patience in a classroom overflowing with students is the topic of this entertaining picture book. What to expect: counting, humor, metamorphosis and racial tolerance which is soo "Au Copurant".



When Spiderville is designated a Sanctuary City, Insect Elementary is in desperate need of more teachers to accommodate the sudden increase in the student body. Enter Miss Centipede, and no matter how large the fourth grade grows, she handles the workload with ease. What is her secret?

C.P. Wilson has lived in many states within the continental U.S. She's lived in urban and suburban areas and knows the feeling of being the new kid in town and school. For many years, Wilson was a teacher and enjoyed instructing and working with children. CP is now a licensed realtor on the East End of Long Island, a career that allows her to work with people of all ethnicities, which she loves. Wilson now lives with her family, doggies, and kitties on a farmette in New York. She enjoys gardening, arts, and sports.

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Featured Book of the Month Review

Book of the Month: "It's Not Complicated: Simple Recipes for Every Day" by Katie Lee Biegel

Review by Sag Harbor Books

Katie Lee Biegel charmed us as co-host of Food Network's The Kitchen with her humor and no-nonsense approach to cooking. Now she's taken that attitude to her new cookbook, It's Not Complicated: Simple Recipes for Every Day which prioritizes simple easy-to-navigate recipes and produces culinary results that

offer a refreshing twist on comfort food. What's on the menu? Try shrimp cocktail ceviche, veggie chili cornbread pot pie, and red curry lamb chops, just to give a taste. Spanning all possible meals from breakfast to dinner to dessert (even cocktails!) this is a book that will leave you feeling surprised and sated, but never stressed.









HAMPTONS TOP 10

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 3. The Moonflower Murders by Anthony Horowitz
 4. The Searcher by Tana French

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 Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell
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 The Lying Life of Adults by Elena Ferrante
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 The Vanishing Half by Britt Bennett

- HARDCOVER NON-FICTION BESTSELLERS

 1. Let Me Tell You What I Mean by Joan Didion

 2. A Promised Land by Barack Obama

 3. A Swim in a Pond in the Rain by George Saunders

 4. Mike Nichols: A Life by Mark Harris

 5. Modern Comfort Food by Ina Garten

- 6. Untamed by Glennon Doyle
 7. How to Avoid a Climate Disaster by Bill Gates
 8. First Principles by Thomas E. Ricks
 9. The Best of Me by David Sedaris
- 10. Just as I Am by Cicely Tyson

- PAPERHACK BESTSELLERS

 1. Interior Chinatown by Charles Yu

 2. The Dutch House by Ann Patchett

 3. III Places in the Hamptons by Wendy Lubovitch

 4. The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead

 5. Normal People by Sally Rooney

 6. True Stories of Old Sag Harbor by Jim Marquardt

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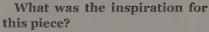
This Week's Cover Artist:

Christine D'Addario



BY LEE MEYER

Returning cover artist Christine D'Addario talks about her optimistic outlook, the immense challenges she overcame at the height of the pandemic and more.



I'm very happy and honored to be chosen as the feature artist for this cover of *Dan's Papers*. Easter is a special time for family traditions and symbolizes new beginnings. I hope that my cute and colorful bunny painting, "Looking Toward Spring," brings a smile to your face! Happy Easter to all!

How has your art style evolved over the years?

My artistic style fluctuates between reality and fantasy, creating a "Transitional Realism." I am an optimist and choose to celebrate the beauty and wonder of the world. My works are meant to bring happiness and a sense of calm to viewers.

What inspires you the most?

My seascapes are most inspired by Long Island and the coastal lifestyle that we share. I believe time spent



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by the shore stimulates the senses, fuels the human spirit and can reset the mind. From my experience there is no place more beautiful to visit nor subject to artistically express.

What's something about your art that you're particularly proud of?

I'm most proud of participating in exhibitions at the Nassau County Museum of Art and Heckscher Museum of Art. I'm especially grateful to have my painting, "Wave of Light," awarded Visitors Choice at the Long Island Biennial last fall. I never expected this and am thankful to have been acknowledged in this way by the Heckscher Museum and the viewers.

Did your art style or process change at all due to the pandem-

The pandemic motivated me to focus even more on what I love-my family and making art that brings joy to others. During those months I had also been diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer. I'm grateful that my treatment was a success and for all the doctors and nurses who helped me along the way. That time was a reminder that life is precious and should not be wasted. We all have a role to play to make this world a better place, and mine is to make the best art I can and to share it with others so they can see the beauty I look for in every day.

See more of Christine D'Addario's work at cdaddario.com, and follow @christinedaddariofineart on social media. D'Addario's work is also exhibted at the William Ris Gallery in Jamesport, williamris. com, the Salmagundi Art Club in Manhattan, salmagundi.org, and at her home in Locust Valley. Contact cd@daddario.com for commission artworks.



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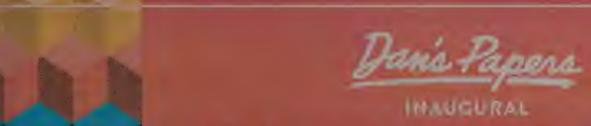
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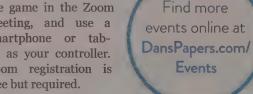
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MET UNDER MOONLIGHT: CARMEN

SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 7:30 P.M.

Join HamptonsFilm at Main Beach for a safe and unique drive-in viewing of Carmen. Mezzo-soprano Elīna Garanča stars in Richard's Eyre's acclaimed 2010 stage production. With dances created by star choreographer Christopher Wheeldon and conducted by maestro Yannick Nézet-Séguin, this show brings every aspect of Bizet's thrilling tale to life, from its lighthearted beginning to its inevitably tragic climax. Tickets are \$80 per car.

104 Ocean Avenue, East Hampton. hamptonsfilmfest.org

BARREL HILL AND SPLIT ROCK HIKE

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 10 A.M.

Meet on Edge of Woods Road where the power lines cross, between David White's Lane on the east and Long Springs Road on the west in Southampton. Join walk leaders Eric and Hilary Woodward of the Southampton Trails Preservation Society on a hilly, moderately-paced, 3.25-mile hike to White Hill with a geodetic survey marker, views of the original Mackay Radio tower of ITT and more.

Edge of Woods Road, Southampton. 631-283-0554, southamptontrails.org

JEREMY DENNIS: ON THIS SITE

MONDAY, APRIL 5, 6:30 P.M.

Join the Long Island Collection for a presentation by enrolled Shinnecock Indian Nation artist and photographer Jeremy Dennis as he discusses local Indigenous East Hampton history as part of his project On This Site, which aims to preserve sacred Native American sites spanning 10,000 years to the present throughout Long Island. Zoom registration is free but required.

easthamptonlibrary.org

SCULPT & CARDIO DANCE SERIES

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 10 A.M.

Join instructor Leisa DeCarlo, a professional and internationally known dancer, for sculpting and cardio using fun dance moves. Zoom registration is free but required. quoguelibrary.org

EARTH YOGA WITH AMY HESS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 9 A.M.

Join yoga instructor Amy Hess for a one-hour class. Yoga will be held in a large outdoor space on woodchips near the pond, weather permitting. Participants should bring a sheet or blanket and a yoga mat. Registration is \$15 per class.

3 Old Country Road, Quoque. quoguewildliferefuge.org

ILLUMINATING THE VALUE OF DARK SKIES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 6 P.M.

Artificial light at night disrupts wildlife, impacts human health, wastes money and energy, contributes to climate change and blocks your view of the universe. Join the Peconic Land Trust for a conversation with Susan Harder, New York representative to the International Dark Sky Association, and learn how and why to

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safely light the night while protecting wildlife, our health and our view of the stars in the sky. Zoom registration is free but required.

631-283-3195, peconiclandtrust.org

A SKY FULL OF POEMS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 7 P.M.

Hamptons Observatory and Guild Hall present A Sky Full of Poems with Dava Sobel, directed by Josh Gladstone. The skies above have moved us to explore, imagine and express ourselves throughout history, so it's not surprising that such experiences have been eloquently, and sometimes humorously, expressed by poets. In this virtual performance, a trio of gifted actors—Nehassaiu deGannes, Laura Hix and Isaac Klein—will recite a selection of celestially inspired poems, which will be accompanied by related visuals.

631-324-0806, guildhall.org

VIRTUAL TAI CHI

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, NOON.

Join John Turnbull every Thursday at noon for a relaxing hour of Tai Chi with the Hampton Library. Awaken your senses and strengthen your body in this enriching virtual class. Zoom registration is free but required. info@hamptonlibrary.org, myhamptonlibrary.org

TRIVIA THURSDAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 6 P.M.

Put your thinking cap on and join Greenport Harbor Brewing Company for trivia and beer at their Peconic location. The winner receives a \$25 gift certificate.

42155 Main Road, Peconic. 631-477-1100, greenportharborbrewing.com

FIVE ON-DEMAND

NOW THROUGH THURSDAY, APRIL 8.

The Five series films—Harfa, Justice of the Pies, Onganic Foods, Sarah's Bag and Talento Incluir—follow five extraordinary women from five countries who have each set out to start a purpose-driven business to improve and uplift their communities. Witness their journey through food insecurity and sustainable farming to special education and inclusion in the workplace. Rental tickets are \$5. whbpac.org

ERIC STEFANSKI EXHIBITION

NOW THROUGH APRIL 11.

VSOP Projects presents I'm F---in Trying, an exhibition of new text paintings by Chicago-based artist Eric Stefanski. Presented in the upstairs gallery, the exhibition finds Stefanski as snarky, self-aware and potty-mouthed as ever. This is the artist's first solo ex-



ELICIA GARANCA AND ROBERTO ALAGNA IN "CARMEN"

hibition with the gallery and his first solo exhibition in New York, consisting of 13 new oil and acrylic paintings. 311 Front Street, Greenport. vsopprojects.com

PHOTOGRAPHS EXHIBITION

NOW THROUGH APRIL 11.

The Drawing Room presents an exhibition of photographs by three East End artists—Mary Ellen Bartley of Sag Harbor, Adam Bartos of East Hampton and Laurie Lambrecht of Bridgehampton. The three photographers' distinctive approaches to making pictures share a reverie about place, nature and still life.

55 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-5016, drawingroom-gallery.com

INDA EATON: SHELTER IN PLACE ON-DEMAND

NOW THROUGH APRIL 30.

One year ago, Bay Street Theater hosted a full house for the last live music performance before the pandemic shut every venue down. This last show, presciently titled *Shelter in Place*, was the culmination of creative energy generated over several years in the making of the independently produced Americana Roots Rock album by Inda Eaton called Shelter in Place. Tickets start at \$10. baystreet.org

NOW THROUGH MAY 2.

UNFRAMED EXHIBITION

Unframed presents select works on paper, canvas and wood by regional artists including Patricia Beary, Karen Bell, Ennid Berger, Carolyn Conrad, Lucy Dewitt, Richard Gardner, Ray Germann, Gerry Giliberti, Colin Goldberg, Katherine Liepe-Levinson, Scott McIntire, Robert Mielenhausen, Jim Sabiston, Blair Seagram, Adam Straus, Pamela Waldroup, Marisa S. White and Constance Sloggatt Wolf.

631-734-8545, alexferronegallery.com

SILVERBROOK ART GLASS WORKS EXHIBIT

NOW THROUGH MAY 22.

On view in the History in the Hall cases is the Suffolk County Historical Society's entire Silverbrook collection, hand-blown glass art manufactured with centuries-old techniques by the Kreutz brothers of Riverhead.

300 West Main Street, Riverhead. 631-727-2881, suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org

WOJNAROWICZ ON-DEMAND

NOW STREAMING.

Available on-demand through Sag Harbor Cinema's virtual cinema, Wojnarowicz: F**k You F*ggot F**ker is a fiery documentary portrait of artist and activist David Wojnarowicz. As New York City became the epicenter of the AIDS epidemic in the 1980s, he weaponized his work and waged war on the establishment's indifference to the plague until his death from it at age 37. The film is followed by a Q&A with director Chris McKim, producer Fenton Bailey and interviewees Gracie Mansion and Carlo McCormick, moderated by Jerry Portwood of Rolling Stone. Tickets are \$12.

sagharborcinema.org



ERIC STEFANSKI'S FIRST SOLO NEW YORK EXHIBITION ON VIEW AT VSOP PROJECTS

OD DRINK

Riverhead Welcomes übergeek Brewing Co.

BY DAVID TAYLOR

ne short month after Moustache Brewing Company closed the doors of its Riverhead tasting room, the space is reopening anew as the home base of Long Island brew master Rob Raffa's popular, nomadic brewing company übergeek. The grand opening is set for Friday, April 2 with festivities lasting through Thursday, April 11.

From home brewer to Moustache's head brewer to founder of übergeek Brewing Company in under a decade, Raffa has quickly cemented himself in the Long Island beer scene, with a loyal fanbase and many connections both up-island and on the East End.

"We [übergeek] were able to build our entire network, so to speak, from word of mouth from selling wholesale," Raffa says, noting that many of his customers hail from the Islip-Lindenhurst area. "I had a slight reputation myself before even starting just from making quality beer at Moustache, and I have a lot of friends, brewers and beer distributor owners, who were willing to try my product and push it out to market. And it kind of resonated with customers. I feel like I've got a good pulse on what the customer wants these days, with respect to craft, and I think that's kind of being showcased by how quickly the brand has established itself."

After a year and a half of brewing übergeek at local breweries such as North Fork Brewing Company, Raffa reached out to Matthew and Lauri Spitz, owners of Moustache Brewing Company, where he had worked for six years, in search of a more permanent physical space. With a Chapter 11 bankruptcy filed last summer, the Spitzes jumped at the offer, deciding to have their beer crafted elsewhere moving forward, while Raffa takes over the Moustache tasting room.

"It's a very unique situation, because it's a turnkey coming in, which is a huge help," Raffa explains. "But the main thing is that I've used that brewing system for years, so I was able to walk in and just immediately start brewing, knowing what I'm doing and not really having to deal with any test batches-with everything coming DansTaste.com out the way that I fully expected it to. Not everybody has that-I'm totally cognizant of that—and I think that's a huge advantage and why we're able to flip and rebrand the space, get beer brewed and be open in

While Raffa was eager to redesign the space to fit his highly consistent branding, he acknowledges that it was somewhat difficult to say goodbye to the relics from his time at Moustache.

"It's definitely bittersweet. There were so many things on the wall-memories, since Moustache had a lot of photos up," he says. "It was sad to see



ROB RAFFA, OWNER OF ÜBERGEEK BREWING COMPANY

them go, but I'm excited to start a new chapter. The brand for what I'm trying to do in this space is to make it very evocative, very cathartic and feel like the space itself is moving and providing entertainment for everyone."

As for the beer itself, Raffa has long had a passion for experimentation, and his new business model allows for much more of that than the wholesale market ever could.

"When we were doing wholesale, we kind of had to stick to higher ABV beers, since those tend to sell better out in the wholesale market,

so we couldn't just jump out there and give people a blonde or a pilsner because it's a bit more risky. Now we get to stretch our legs a little bit and try less hypey styles and do them well, he says. "I find the most rewarding thing about brewing is the experimentation and also trying to find a way to bridge the

gap between brewing something that is a full-on liquid and culinary, where you can actually sculpt on it and make it into a three-dimensional shape. So I tend to pull a lot of influence from food in order to give beer a little bit more depth of flavor and just to kind of break the mold a little bit. And brewing in this space definitely gives me a huge opportunity to experiment a lot more and get a little more eccentric. It's fun-I wouldn't want any other

the übergeek tasting room, Raffa has prepared a new 4.1% pilsner, a new IPA, a new tart, and he's working on his first Cohort of Eccentric Misfits members-only tap, an exclusive brew inspired by Moustache's Society of Fine Liquid Provisions. The tasting room will offer a total of 10 beers on tap in its opening week, cans of the brewery's popular portfolio, as well as mead, cider and wine from fellow Long Island businesses. The Eat Me, Drink Me Food Truck will also be on the premises every day except Easter, offering incredible food to be enjoyed in the indoor or outdoor seating areas.

Raffa expresses a great deal of excitement at the thought of connecting with his community in Riverhead-from the up-island übergeek fans of his nomadic days to the East Enders who remember his Moustache days fondly and to the new friends who are sure to fall in love with his unique, eccen-

"What I like is that when we open, we're probably going to have a mixing of communities," he says. "I finally get to bring my beer to the locals who I've known for years, through Moustache, and a lot of them have already come behind me and are excited to call this their new home, so I think that it's only going to strengthen the brand.... Even if you did go to Moustache back in the day, coming to the space is definitely going to be a new experience!"

To learn more about übergeek Brewing Com-For the week-and-a-half-long grand opening of pany, visit ubergeekbrewing.com.





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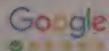
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DAN'S TASTE: FOOD & DRINK

On the Hunt for East End Easter Specials and Chocolate Surprises

BY DAVID TAYLOR & HARRY POWERS

I fyou're on the hunt for Easter dining specials and chocolatey treats, then look no further than the East End. Take a look at the delicious dishes on offer at these Hamptons and North Fork eateries.

HAMPTONS

Claude's at the Southampton Inn is offering a la carte Easter breakfast and brunch from 7 a.m.—3 p.m. on Easter Sunday, which features such classic items such as omelets, French toast and pancakes. Add \$25 for unlimited bloody marys and mimosas! 631-283-6500, southamptoninn.com

Ed's Lobster Bar in Sag Harbor has got you covered for all your Easter brunch needs with a heavenly two-course prix fixe menu that comes with two specialty cucumber bloody marys. Live music will be provided by Jack Morelli 11:30 a.m.—3 p.m. To make a reservation, call 631-725-1131 or visit lobsterbarnyc.com.

Enjoy Calissa Chef Bob Abrams' exquisite Easter specials, as well as Easter brunch, this weekend. Grilled lamb chops with leeks and scalloped potatoes, grilled asparagus with graviera cheese and balsamic reduction, and more specials are on offer for takeout and for dining inside or under the newly reopened heated tent. For more on this Water Mill staple's holiday specials, visit calissahamptons.com.

Nick & Toni's in East Hampton has announced they will be offering a special brunch and dinner prix fixe in honor of Easter on April 4. The three-



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course brunch prix fixe is \$75, while the three-course dinner prix fixe is \$95. A kids menu prix fixe is also available for \$24, as well as a separate dessert menu. Brunch will be available from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and dinner from 5-8 p.m. nickandtonis.com

Jean-Georges at Topping Rose House in Bridgehampton is serving up a three-course Easter prix fixe brunch for \$78 (\$39 for kids). Options include warm shrimp salad, avocado toast and almond cake. *631-808-2001*, *toppingrosehouse.com*

The Bell & Anchor in Sag Harbor is open for brunch on Easter Sunday, 11:30 a.m.—3 p.m., with plenty of holiday specials to go around, including lobster Benedict, duck hash and more. Additionally, an a la carte pre-order menu includes steamed lobster, Dijon-crusted rack of lamb and potato-crusted halibut. Pre-orders must be placed by Saturday, April 3 for Sunday pickup from 11:30 a.m.—5 p.m. 631-725-3400, bellandanchor.com

Union Sushi & Steak in Southampton is offering an Easter weekend entrée special of a rack of lamb for two with Yukon gold mashed potatoes, haricots verts and rosemary pan au jus for \$59 per person. Book your table at dineatunion.com.

The 1770 House in East Hampton is also offering Easter dinner: There's an on-premises two-course \$55 prix fixe, as well as a \$400 takeout, ready-to-cook meal that feeds four to six people. Entrée selections include Australian leg of lamb or beef tenderloin. There's even a four-ounce caviar add-on (\$350), a 36-piece poached shrimp platter (\$100) or two quarts of spring pea soup with cornbread crumbs and paprika oil for \$30. 1770house.com

Those looking for last minute Easter plans should consider brunch at **Baron's Cove** in Sag Harbor. Chef Nicholas Vogel and the culinary team have curated a list of brunch specials, including lobster Benedict with Montauk lobster, classic hollandaise and home fries; roasted asparagus tart with local asparagus and whipped lemon ricotta; citrus and almond French toast with blood orange marmalade and house-made vanilla whipped cream; among others. Sip an In Cold Blood cocktail—made with bacardi silver, luxardo maraschino and dehydrated blood orange—while soaking in the stunning spring water views. 844-227-6672, baronscove.com

NORTH FORK

East Wind Long Island in Wading River is celebrating Easter with an event-packed weekend, starting with a visit from the bunny of the hour. Take photos with the Easter Bunny, receive a special holiday gift and take a hop in the bounce house from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, April 3. The Easter Bunny returns on Sunday for a Grand Ballroom brunch that's filled with seafood, eggs, pasta, unlimited mimosas and more. Reservations are available from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Finally, Desmond's at East Wind is serving an elegant three-course Easter dinner from 1-6 p.m. eastwindlongisland.com

The Preston House & Hotel in Riverhead is offering their a la carte menu as well as chef specials



DISSET'S EASTER 202I BOX

for brunch (11 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) and dinner (5-9 p.m.) on Easter Sunday. Call 631-775-1550 or visit the prestonhouse and hotel.com for the deets!

Chocolatier Steven Amaral of North Fork Chocolate Company never ceases to impress with his holiday concoctions, and this year's wonderful Easter collection includes couture eggs with dark raspberry ganache centers, sunflower pops, bunny peep chocolate pops, hollow 3D jumbo chocolate eggs, solid chocolate bunnies, organic jellybeans and more. Most items are available in milk, dark or white chocolate, but if you don't find what you're looking for online, try visiting the Aquebogue store (closed on Easter). 631-779-2963, northforkchocolate.com

Atelier Disset has come up with something extra special for their first Easter in Cutchogue—the North Fork Chocolate Egg Scavenger Hunt. Running through Easter Sunday, the hunt tasks East Enders with finding seven 18-inch eggs hidden across the North Fork and posting the proof on Instagram, tagging @DissetChocolate and using hashtag #17ChocolateEggHunt. Public accounts who post pics of all seven eggs will be entered for a chance to take home one of the eggs next week. In addition to this challenge, Disset has also created a 12-piece Easter box comprising salted caramel, dark chocolate, coconut, strawberry pistachio, cherry almond and sugar cookie bonbons, as well as an Easter egg breaker DIY kit and more. dissetchocolate.com

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Honest Man Chef, Restaurant Reopenings and More

BY HARRY POWERS

CHEF HIGHLIGHT: JOSEPH REALMUTO, HONEST MAN **RESTAURANT GROUP**

Joseph Realmuto began his culinary career at the Culinary Institute of America. While attending CIA in 1991, he interned and then worked under John Laughran at the River Café in Brooklyn. Upon graduation in 1993, he spent his first summer in the Hamptons at Nick & Toni's. Realmuto returned to Manhattan for the off-season and landed at Park Avalon in Manhattan, At Park Avalon, Realmuto worked all kitchen stations for owner Steve Hansen, under chef Jim Botsokis

In early 1994, Realmuto returned to his summer job and began what was to be a long relationship at one of Long Island's critically acclaimed restaurants, Nick & Toni's. Joe was initially hired as a line cook and for the next two years he honed his skills as sous chef under executive chef Paul Del Favero, before becoming the chef de cuisine in 1996. During his stint as sous chef under Del Favero, Nick & Toni's received two stars from the New York Times' Ruth Reichl, was awarded the Golden Dish Award from GQ and received high praise from Food & Wine when they claimed that, "Nick & Toni's is the best Italian restaurant on the East End." Late in 1996, Realmuto was named Nick & Toni's executive chef. In 2001, Nick & To-

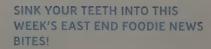
ni's received a three-star review or an "excellent" from The New York Times and was awarded a "very good" in 2015 from The New York Times following their 25th anniversary. Realmuto has created and overseen the opening of four additional restaurant concepts with Honest Man Restuarant Group—Rowdy Hall, an English-style French bistro pub; La Fondita, an authentic Mexican takeout spot; Townline BBQ, a Texas-style BBQ joint; and Coche Comedor, a regional Mexican restaurant inspired by local products.

Realmuto has appeared alongside several celebrity chefs on the Food Network. He appeared on five episodes of Ina Garten's show Barefoot Contessa, cooking signature dishes from Nick & Toni's, La Fondita and Townline BBQ. He was selected as a judge alongside Bobby Flay on The Next Food Network Star. Giada de Laurentis featured Nick & Toni's and Realmuto on a 2007 episode of Giada's Weekend Getaways. He was also commissioned to participate in The Q, a BBQ festival hosted by Paula Deen and her sons in

Miami Beach as part of the South Beach Food & Wine Festival. Realmuto has appeared several times on George Hirsch Lifestyle on PBS. He was featured on ABC's The Chew in the fall of 2014 and appeared on FOX NY's Good Day New York cooking up some Townline BBQ out of the company's mobile

Realmuto has a devotion to local and organic produce on his menus. He helps maintain the one-acre organic garden behind Nick & Toni's, where he harvests items in season that go right to the plate. He is also involved with the Hayground School's Young Chef's Program, a chef-lead workshop for young children. He maintains relationships with many local farmers and produce suppliers supporting East End farms, such as EECO farms, Satur Farms and Quail Hill Farms. Realmuto is currently the executive chef for all Honest Man Retaurant Group establishments: Nick & Toni's, Coche Comedor, Rowdy Hall, La Fondita, Honest Catering and Townline BBQ.

Check out his culinary creations at nickandtonis.com, rowdyhall.com, lafondita.net, townlinebbq.com, cochecomedor.com and honest-catering.com.



Dockside Bar & Grill in Sag Harbor has reopened for the season, and they are serving lunch and dinner five days a week (closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays). While hours are subject to change, lunch is served noon-3:30 p.m. and dinner 5-9 p.m. Weather permitting, the outside patio is open but bundle up-there are no heat lamps. Call 631-725-7100 for more info and for takeout! docksidesagharbor.com

Sagaponack's Old Stove Pub has reopened on weekends, and they now offer a sushi bar in addition to favorites like the Sagaponack steak, Spanish octopus and eggs Benedict. Look for a heated tent that can handle 75 people and outdoor dining, as well as takeout Wednesday through Sunday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. rosiesamagansett.com

Jean-George at Topping Rose House in Bridgehampton is all set to resume outdoor dining, as well. toppingrosehouse.com

Did You Know That: Spirit's Promise Equine Rescue on Sound Avenue in Riverhead will host a Farmers Market from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. the first Saturday of each month, beginning Saturday, April 3. Guests will have the opportunity to support local businesses, shop diverse vendors, take a tour of the farm, meet the animals and learn more about what they do at Spirit's Promise. Tickets cost \$5 per person for entry or \$15 per person for entry and tour. All CDC guidelines will be in place. To register, visit spiritspromiserescue.org.

Fun Food Facts: A typical ear of corn has an even number of rows. ... White chocolate isn't actually chocolate, it's made from a blend of sugar, milk products, vanilla, lecithin and cocoa butter.

Ouote of the Week: "Life is uncertain. Eat dessert first." -Ernestine Ulmer, author

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Cynthia Daniels

BY ANGELA LAGRECA

I t's barely April, and Cynthia Daniels' busy season is "really kicking in."

The Grammy and Emmy-winning recording engineer, record producer and studio owner says her desire to live and work out east "has come together like a field of dreams."

Alec Baldwin, Julie Andrews, Paul McCartney, Steve Martin, Blythe Danner, Jimmy Fallon, Christie Brinkley, Nile Rogers, Rufus Wainwright, John Leguizamo, Mercedes Ruehl, Chris Martin, GE Smith, Taylor Barton, Matthew Broderick, Sarah Jessica Parker, Julianne Moore, Jennifer Lopez, Beyoncé and Jay-Z are just some of the over 400 celebrity and local clients who have recorded at Daniels' state-of-the-art recording studio, MonkMusic Studios, in East Hampton.

"Everything I've done has prepared me for the next job without know-



DANIELS WITH ALEC BALDWIN,
PAUL MCCARTNEY & STEVE MARTIN

ing it," says Daniels, who worked and trained with some great producers like Phil Ramone. "I was exposed to live concerts, jingles and cast albums... during the golden age of recording in the '80s."

It all started with her first great love—music. "I'm an artist, and I had always wanted to be in the service of music somehow," she says. "I enjoy electronics and science, and in this profession I thought, 'I can express myself and make a living."

Her first studio engineering gigs were for Phoebe Snow and Dr. John. She soon fell into recording major jazz artists "because of the piano I had—a nine-foot Steinway in a small Upper East Side studio."

Jazz work led to work in TV and film. "We did all the music for 20/20 and World News Tonight. We remade the theme music to Wide World of Sports...at one point we did every game show and soap opera [incidental music]. Then came opportunities to do large orchestras, the Great American Songbook, pop vocals and Broadway.

"The first Broadway show I ever recorded was *Black and Blue*. It was a revelation," she says, "because I was presented with some of the greatest singers—Linda Hopkins, Carrie Smith and Ruth Brown—and some of the greatest music that spawned jazz blues and ultimately rock 'n' roll."

After buying a house in East Hampton in 1998, she began splitting her time and constantly commuting.

"I've been in love with the East End of Long Island since I was 30, when I was first introduced to it," says Daniels. "I had a small studio in my house and because of digital editing, realized I could do some of my work out here."

She saw "a need for film and voiceover work, film post for sound, mixing of films and mostly ADR, which is looping [re-recording sound for TV and film]."

At the same time she developed a strong local celebrity clientele. "Nancy Atlas heard of me and came to work on some of her music. I met other local artists (Inda Eaton, Mama Lee Rose, the HooDoo Loungers, Cliff Black and many others). I had no idea that would happen."

Daniels worked from home, and at another studio out east, World Cottage, which became 91 East—when they moved, she "basically took over that part of the business."

"Every room in my house was a recording studio," she says with amusement. "It was a dream home...until I met my partner [Cori Krane]. We met in late 2006, at East Hampton Indoor Tennis—just one of many romances that have come from the club," she jokes. They married in 2011. "Within a couple of years Cori said, 'We've got to do something about your loud career and parade of clients."

The plan to bump out five feet from the house turned into a 2,000-squarefoot addition. Daniels enlisted renowned architect John Storyk to help create her dream studio.

"John had designed many of the studios I'd worked in in Manhattan.... He has an affection for the East End, and had designed the Ross School auditorium. I thought, 'If I build it and they don't come, that's okay—this is what I do, and this where I belong—on the East End with my own recording studio." They came.

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The studio was completed in 2011, the same year she won a Grammy for *The Julie Andrews Collection*. Last August, Jimmy Fallon recorded a duet with Dolly Parton at MonkMusic (Parton did her tracks in Nashville). During the height of the pandemic, Scarlett Johansson recorded a duet with Bono for the animated movie *Sing 2* (Bono sang his part in Ireland).

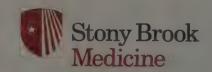
Today, Daniels is recording with Alec Baldwin (Boss Baby 2). She's excited about finishing up an album by local musician Fred Raimondo called Cinema, and working with "Midnight at the Oasis" composer David Nichtern, on an album called Pandemoonea.

She describes her career path as "a confluence of 16-hour days, a whole lot of luck, and hopefully some talent. When I won a Grammy as engineer and mixer for *The Producers*, it reminded me that 'every overnight sensation takes about 20 years," says Daniels with a smile.

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WEDDINGGUIDE

Wedding Planning in 2021:

A Primer

BY LEE MEYER

In 2021, planning a wedding can be a daunting task, with questions about size, scope and safety coming before the fun stuff like food and entertainment. *Dan's Papers* asked East End wedding planning experts how they make couples' special day memorable in these new times.

TALK ABOUT THE SERVICES YOU OFFER.

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HOW HAVE YOUR PROCEDURES AND PRO-ES CHANGED DURING THE PANDEMIC?

The Vineyards: We are dedicated to a high level of service for our couples. Since we began hosting micro weddings last September we have been dedicated to maintaining our same level of Lessing's service while strictly abiding by the ever-changing New York State rules and guidelines. Our procedures all revolve around safety first. Our processes have remained the same but with restrictions. We feel that if we make our couples and guests feel as normal as possible while celebrating within the guidelines, they will still have a great time, and that has certainly been the case for us. We still receive five-star reviews, and many couples speak to the fact that we made them feel very comfortable throughout the process albeit during a pandemic.

Deborah Minarik: We have taken on a lot more work during the pandemic. We have helped our couples in any way that we could such as rescheduling venue dates and trying to coordinate the new date with all of their booked vendors so that they lost as little money as possible. We did all of this without ever up-charging because we felt it was the right thing to do. Some couples changed their wedding date four times and still won't be married until the end of this year or early

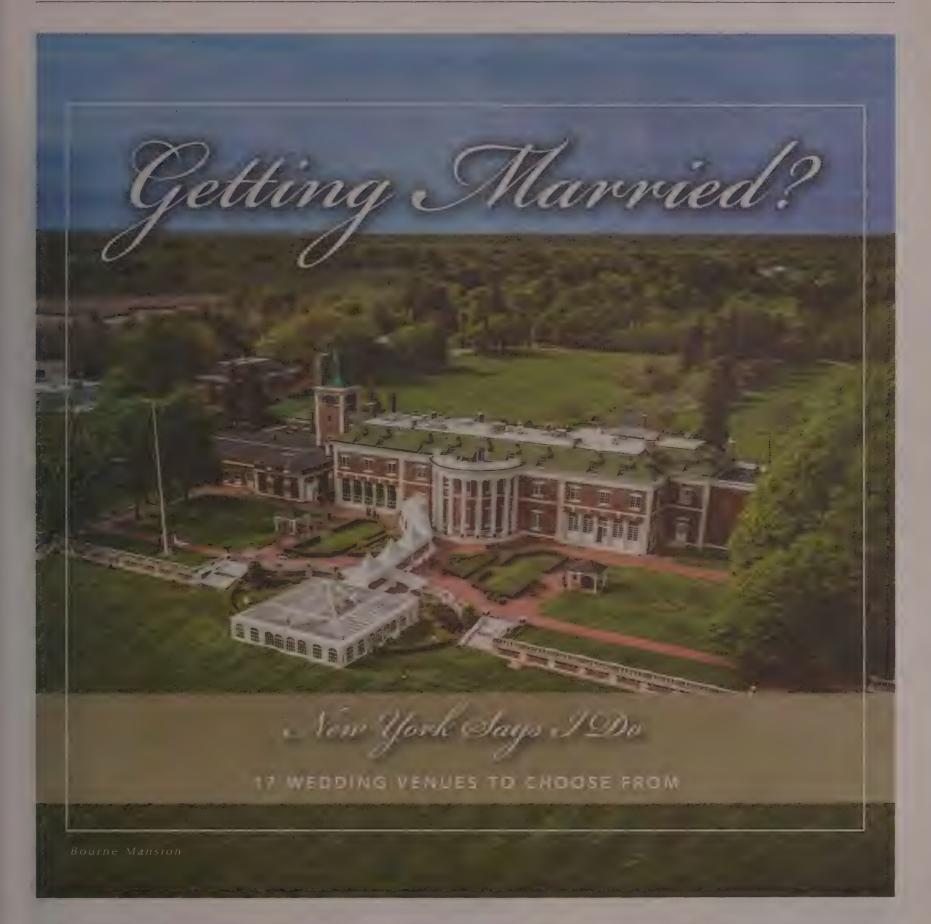
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WHAT ADVICE CAN YOU GIVE TO CLIENTS WHO MIGHT NOT KNOW WHERE TO START WHEN IT COMES TO PLANNING?

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Deborah Minarik: I always tell overwhelmed couples to not look at the big picture in the beginning because there are many moving pieces that will fall into place in time. Concentrate on one thing at a time with the venue selection obviously being the first important decision that they make. Once that is booked, everything else is easy because they will now know what colors match the decor of the venue, where the transportation needs to travel to, what style flowers work at that location, etc. I also tell them to try and just listen to themselves on what they want and not the army of unsolicited advice that they may be getting from friends. Working with your family is one thing, but sometimes there are too many chefs in the kitchen and it gets overwhelming.

East Wind: One thing at a time. Once you have a date or time of year in mind, book the venue first, then begin the planning process. Keep organized, never panic and enjoy it! This is a special time in your life, and it will all workout to be the perfect day!



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Tent Suppliers Talk



A TENT MAKES SURE YOUR SPECIAL DAY WON'T GET RAINED OUT

BY LEE MEYER

O utdoor weddings are more popular than ever, and a tent ensures your big day can be special, rain or shine. These East End suppliers talk about what you need to know about tents and the services they offer.

TALK ABOUT THE SERVICES YOU OFFER.

Steve Clark, Sperry: We provide premium Sperry sailcloth tents for weddings, family occasions and charity galas. Included in our offerings are beautiful flooring, lighting packages and other accessories needed to produce your event.

Diane Wall, NY Tent: NY Tent has been servicing wedding and special event clients on Long Island and in the New York Metro area for 27 years. Our quality tent and event rental products, knowledgeable staff and personalized service allow us to achieve and exceed our clients' expectations. We specialize in various tent styles, as well as complimenting accessories such as flooring, clear tops and walls, liners, lighting and climate control.

HOW DO YOU HELP CLIENTS WITH THE DECI-SION-MAKING PROCESS?

Sperry: The key for client decisions if focusing on their needs. Understanding the guest count and flow of the event then guides us in designing the ele-

ments that they would need to host an event.

NY Tent: Each client has a dedicated NY Tent account manager who listens to their needs and clarifies details to better understand the specific scope of work. After visiting the potential tent site, the account manager advises on what tenting options will work best for their space and logistical demands.

WHAT ARE COMMON QUESTIONS CLIENTS HAVE?

Sperry: The number one question is, "How many guests can I host in my backyard?" We always visit the site to confirm sizing and placement and work with the other vendors involve to create a great experience.

NY Tent: A question we commonly get is to describe the difference between tent styles such as a Tidewater tent versus a Gable Ended tent. We encourage clients to familiarize themselves by viewing our website and filter by tent style to get a better visual representation. From there, our account managers can provide further details pertaining to each tent style.

HOW HAVE PROCEDURES CHANGED DURING THE PANDEMIC?

Sperry: In 2020 we helped clients produce smaller events—50 guests or less per the NYS re-

strictions due to COVID, in a safe way. We changed how we delivered an installed tent to keep our staff safe and made sure tent sizes met safety requirements. Things are coming together for 2021 with NYS allowing larger events. The main requirement is that tents need to be larger to accommodate social distancing.

NY Tent: We've leaned on virtual meetings and site visits to get the process started and follow all CDC guidelines. Internally, we have focused additional efforts to utilize our CAD (computer-aided design) drawing programs to design tent site plans, reducing the need to meet in person as often. Our team also stays up to date on local government regulations as well as permitting updates.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU OFFER CLIENTS WHEN IT COMES TO A TENT WEDDING?

Sperry: Meeting with us to discuss ideas is the key. We will walk them through the process of hosting a tented event. We have tons of resources listed on our website to help clients with finding venues, planners, caterers and other services

NY Tent: Clients can get some inspiration from our website, but ultimately all we need to know in order to start is an event date, a location and how many guests are planning to attend and we will walk you through the rest!



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Rabbi Josh Franklin

P assover ranks as one of the most celebrated of all Jewish holidays by not just American Jews, but by Americans of all faiths. The Passover narrative chronicles the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and evokes the timeless themes of freedom, alleviating oppression and fighting tyranny. Benjamin Franklin found these biblical motifs so congruent with the American experience that he proposed a seal of the United States depicting a scene from the Exodus along with the words "Rebellion to Tyrants is Obedience to God."

It's not the food that intrigues people to join or host a Passover Seder—the highly ritualized meal on the first and second nights of Passover. In fact, Passover food is notoriously less than appetizing. Jews tolerate matzah, the unleavened staple bread of Passover, which tastes only slightly more flavorful than cardboard. The menu-which includes horseradish, eggs, a ground apple paste called charoset and gefilte fish-primarily serves as a jumping off point for intense conversations. Matzah, for example, tastes like persecution and oppression, prompting us to empathize with the experience of slavery. Eating bitter herbs like horseradish remind us of the bitterness experienced by our ancestors and by 40 million people worldwide who still endure the yoke of slavery today.

The diverse and sometimes strange rituals elicit intense and gripping conversations that are rarely heard at the dinner table. One interpretation of the Hebrew word for Passover, "Pesach," is that it means peh-siach, the conversation of the mouth. This describes well the experience of Seder attendees. People relish talking through extended narratives, asking relentless questions, and performing rituals with highly symbolic items, because these are the ingredients for a conversation that captivates any attendee, Jewish or not.

This is now the second year that in-person attendance at Passover Seders in peoples' homes were limited by COVID. Next year, we pray that we'll all be back together around the table talking not just about the past plagues that afflicted Egypt, but the once-upon-a-time COVID plague that struck the entire world.

Father Constantine Lazarakis

P assover and Easter are here. While many gather to share the Passover meal and re-tell the stories of the Israelites passing through the parted Red Sea, escaping the oppression of the Pharaoh, our national conversation is focused on themes of oppression and liberation. For Christians, this story of liberation is recast in the resurrection of Christ, the lamb of God, as God liberates humankind from death. The biblical account of the Israel's odyssey from Egyptian enslavement to freedom is one of the most compelling in human history. And Christ's resurrection, intrinsically linked to the Exodus narrative, remains one of the most hopeful and liberating beliefs for millions.

Within in the Exodus narrative are some essential components to understanding what true freedom is, components that we need to embrace in this moment. Before Moses could lead the Israelites and confront the Pharaoh, he had to first discover and embrace his own identity. Remember that Moses was raised, not as an Israelite, but as a member of the Pharaoh's household. He had to first remember that he was a child of God before he could be God's liberating force. Secondly, the oppressed Israelites had to believe—had to know that God would lead them out of Egypt. They knew that they were not strong enough on their own to escape oppression, but they came to believe that with God, all things are possible.

I believe that, even amidst our lofty and tenuous pursuit of justice and prosperity, in many ways, we've lost our way. And I believe that we need to rediscover and embrace our identity as beloved children of God. I believe we need to renew our faith in God as our protector and advocate. Doing so might bring us a little more of the hope and freedom for which we so desperately yearn.





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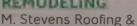
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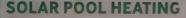


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What are the latest trends you're seeing in landscaping? I think everybody is very busy and there's not enough labor to go around...because the economy's good out here. Everybody's working as much as they can. Everyone's trying to hire more people, and we just can't get them. We're just sort of maxed

landscaping sues do homeowners into this time of year? We're getting properties started for the season, we're starting planting now, we're turning on irrigation systems, we're cleaning up the yard, and we're doing some early grass seeding in some shady areas. On the turf side, we're just doing a little spot seeding in shady areas. The most important time for the grass is late summer, early fall.

homeowners do to ensure they don't anv landscaping problems this summer? Constant adjustment and constant design to maintenance. We can draw monitoring. That's what keeps you out of trouble. You have to stay on it.

What is the biggest misconception about landscaping that homeowners have? I think sometimes homeowners may think more is better and more is not necessarily better. The right amount is

Can you talk about the importance of landscaping? It holds property value. The landscape creates a ton of oxygen. It sets up outdoor spaces that you can go out and enjoy.

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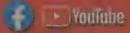
Anything else you want to add? You go with the seasons. The temperature has a lot to do with it, the soil temperature has a lot to do with it, the dew point has a tremendous amount to do with it. And you have to be constantly monitoring these. That tells you what the plants are going to do next, it tells you what the insects are going to do, it tells you when the fungi are going have a potential outbreak.

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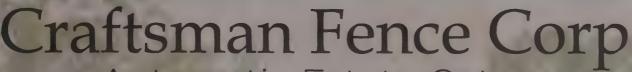


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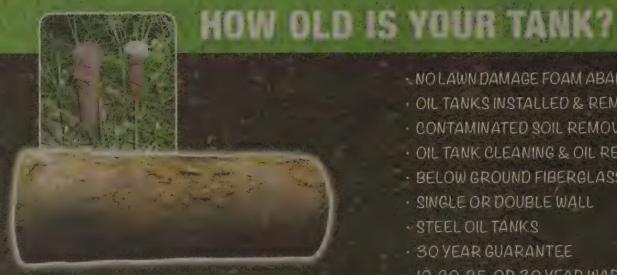
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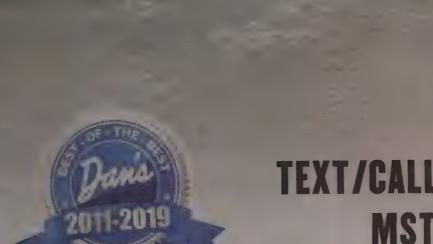


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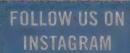
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Z ach Erdem grew up in Erzincan, Turkey, and lived there until the age of 21, when he decided to move to the United States.

In his early teen years growing up in Turkey, Zach was a shepherd, waking up at sunrise and venturing up a nearby mountain with a flock of animals, returning home at sunset. He did this for four years when he became inspired to make a change, and booked his ticket to the U.S.

"When I was a shepherd, I took my animals to a different location and I passed by the railroad a few miles away from my village," Erdem says. "When I was walking by the train tracks, I saw a newspaper on the ground. The front page had an image of New York City, and it was then that I realized my dream to come to America and New York.

"I kept that page for years," he continues. "I looked at it and thought, 'If I don't get there, I am going to die a shepherd.' I knew that I was better than what I was doing, and I knew I could get there and be successful. I just needed the tools to do it."

Like millions of immigrants, he was brought here by the idea of America and found himself in NY. It would be less than 10 years until NY found him. Zach was without friends or family. When he arrived, he didn't have so much as a map of the city, let alone a means to get around. After spending two days at the airport, he was asked to leave and boarded a bus to Grand Central Terminal. The bus ticket was \$13.50, he recalls vividly. He paid it with a majority of the little money he had in his pocket, and boarded the bus with a singular backpack and a yellow pocket dictionary. Scared of the unknown, he arrived at Grand Central.

"On the bus, I remember looking out the window and seeing the street signs along the highway," he recalls. "The first word I learned in English when coming to America was 'exit,' after reading the parkway signs. I remember looking it up in my yellow translating dictionary and remembering that would be my first word learned."

After some time, he found his way

to Southampton and with a stroke of luck, he arrived on Main Street. He went door-to-door to find his first job in America with the hope that it would give him associates and friends, not to mention a steady source of income.

Erdem walked into a small restaurant at 75 Main Street, which was owned by a kind woman who was involved in the everyday management of the business. He was offered a dishwashing position for the busy summer season, but it was not long until management noticed his work ethic and people skills. He rose up the ranks from dishwasher to busser, and soon ended up as one of the front of house faces, as a server and bartender.

After some time, he said goodbye to his position at 75 Main to manage competing restaurant Nello—a position he held for seven years.

"When I heard that Nello was opening, I figured that I would take an opportunity and sent in my resume," Erdem says. "I sent it in about 15 times. I decided to walk into the restaurant and see if I could speak to the manager...

"When I walked in, I met Nello—a yellow-haired man who was sipping on a glass of rosé, quite early in the morning I might add," he continues. "I didn't know he was the owner, but he told me I was hired.... I met his wife, who was also from Turkey, and we became friends. After about a year and a half, he made me the manager. Then, I managed both his city location and his Hamptons location for several years. I put my whole heart and soul into my time at Nello."

His Nello employment came to an abrupt end in 2010, when he was let go on April 1 after a change in ownership. Still determined for success and more financially secure, Zach returned to Main Street. He walked the sidewalk, when he passed the restaurant where he first cut his teeth in the U.S.

A sign on the window read "under construction," when a passerby informed Zach that the location had shut its doors months back and many doubted that it would ever reopen. Thinking quickly, Erdem contacted the owner who had first hired him eight years earlier. After seven hours



ZACH ERDEM AT HIS RESTAURANT

on the telephone, and hours of forms, Zach purchased the restaurant from her. Zach began a new chapter.

He opened the doors as soon as he could, welcoming the first customer and serving the first dish on June 11, 2010. 75 Main was back and Zach Erdem became a mainstay.

"When I opened 75 Main, I remember spending a lot of money fixing up the location," he says. "I was literally out of money and didn't even have any money for the cash-drawer on our first day. By 5 p.m., though, we were packed and the rest was history.

"After some time, I walked across the street, and I sat down on the bench," he continues. "I saw a line into my restaurant and people enjoying themselves, and I put my head in my hands and began to cry. I could not believe that this was my restaurant. A shepherd from Turkey was now the owner 75 Main."

Now, after 11 years of business, Erdem has become more than just a local restaurant owner, but a tycoon of sorts on the East End. He began a restaurant group which operates Blu Mar, AM Nightclub, Summer House Nightclub Lounge, as well as Harpoon House hotel. His impact on the Hamptons cannot be overstated, and his establishments are among

the most well-regarded in the area. Each summer, when the city-dwellers make their eastward pilgrimage, Zach's 75 Main is at-capacity, and has become a fan-favorite of many A-List celebrities and public figures. A-Rod, Sarah Jessica Parker, and even President Joe Biden have enjoyed dishes at this Hamptons institution.

But this is the beginning, says Erdem, who remains committed to providing the best quality food and environments.

"God is always watching you and hard work and smart work pays off," he says. "My next goal is to go worldwide, in all of the hot spots in the world. Dubai, Miami, Los Angeles, New York City. Good restaurants are always making big numbers in these areas. This will be step-by-step, but I will continue to grow up."

In the most improbable of success stories, Erdem is the full embodiment of the American dream. He's won awards, critical acclaim and, perhaps most importantly, popularity among those who call the Hamptons a second home. His pathway to success is only outshined by his personability, humility and kindness. And after purchasing the real estate in which 75 Main sits in 2020, Erdem will be here for a long time to come.



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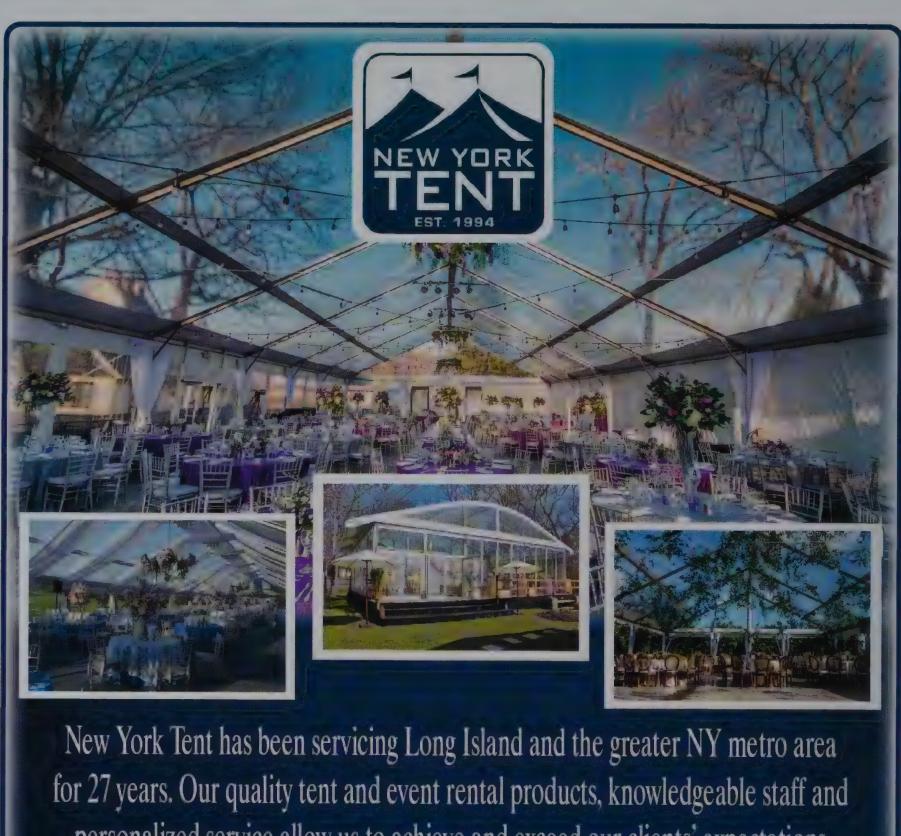




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